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**MOLDAVIAN INDUSTRY SHOWS PROGRESS**

**MOLDAVIAN SSR COMPLETES JANUARY 1949 PLAN -- Sovetskaya Moldaviya, No 32, 15 Feb 49**

The Statistics Administration of Moldavian SSR reports the following on the fulfillment of the January 1949 plan for industry, capital construction, transport, and turnover of goods:

The January 1949 gross production plan was fulfilled 109 percent by Moldavian SSR industry. This included Republic and local industry 108 percent and USSR industry 114 percent.

The volume of industrial production for January 1949 increased 46 percent over January 1948. The January 1949 gross production plan was fulfilled by individual ministries and departments as follows:

	Percentage of Jan 49 Plan	Jan 49 in % of Jan 48
Ministry of the Timber Industry Moldavian SSR	87.5	153
Ministry of Light Industry Moldavian SSR	102	152
Ministry of Meat and Dairy Industry Moldavian SSR	85	184
Ministry of Food Industry Moldavian SSR	124	166.5
Ministry of Local Industry Moldavian SSR	103	122
Main Administration of Construction Materials Industry	128	172
Administration of Trade Cooperatives	106	135
Union of Invalids' Cooperatives	103	144.5
Administration of Polygraphy and Publishing Houses	112	105

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Moldavian Canning Trust, Ministry of the Food Industry USSR	144.5	209
Bessarabian Champagne Wines Combine		
Ministry of the Food Industry USSR	105.5	105
Moldavian Liqueur and Vodka Trust,		
Ministry of Food USSR	63	160
Moldavian "Glavtabaksyr'ye" (Main Administration of Raw Tobacco) Trust,		
Ministry of the Food Industry USSR	108	105
Kishinev "Glavmuka" (Main Flour Administration) Trust, Ministry of Agricultural Procurement USSR	127	199

A total 154 Union and Republic enterprises out of 274 fulfilled the January plan for gross production. The January 1949 production plan for chief products was fulfilled as follows:

	<u>Percentage of Jan 49 Plan</u>	<u>Jan 49 in % of Jan 48</u>
Electric power	111	123
Preparation of wood	94	77.5
Wood hauling	49	161
Lime	159	450
Brick	157	136
Tile	143	120
Shell limestone	110.5	83
Lumber	126	305
Woodworking machines	203	164
Barrels	59	187.5
Furniture (Based on 1926/27 prices)	87	115
Nails	129	176
Internal combustion engines	167	--
Tanned leather	107	70.5
Hard leather goods	90	170
Soft leather goods	100	168.5
New footwear	81	153
Stockings and socks	94.6	201.5
Knitted outer garments	98	191
Knitted underwear	100	249
Household soap	95	410
Meat	115	243
Canned goods	129	254
Vegetable oil	103	124
Animal oil, including fat	221	152
Fish catch	162	1500
Grape wine	96.5	118
Beer	108	199.5
Cigarettes	89	119

A number of ministries, departments, and trusts fulfilled and exceeded the January gross-production plan but failed to fulfill it for quantity of basic types of goods. The Ministry of Food Industry of the Moldavian SSR failed the plan for bread and bakery products, macaroni and confectionery products, greets, nonalcoholic beverages, alcohol, and barrels. The Ministry of Light Industry failed to fulfill the plan for sewing and for fur caps and collars. The Ministry of Local Industry (Republic enterprises) failed to fulfill the plan for grinding and metalworking machinery, metal-cutting and fitting-assembly tools, garden and vineyard implements, hardware, hoes, and gas tanks. The Moldavian "Glavtabaksyr'ye" Trust failed to fulfill the plan for cigarettes. The Bessarabian Champagne Wines Combine, Ministry of the Food Industry USSR, failed to fulfill the plan for processing wine ingredients. The Moldavian Invalids' Cooperatives failed to fulfill the plan for beds, leather goods for outer

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wear, new shoes, knitted outer wear, various products. The Administration of Trade Cooperatives failed to fulfill the plan for brick, lime, shall limestone, hard leather goods, leather goods for outer wear, shoes, knitted outer wear, stockings and socks, aluminum and galvanized dishware, household soap, furniture, and barrels.

Republic city enterprises fulfilled the January 1949 plan as follows: Orgeyev, 115 percent; Tiraspol', 114 percent; Bendery, 110 percent; Bel'tsy, 109 percent; Soroki, 107 percent; Kishinev, 106 percent; Kagul, 104 percent.

Bendery, Soroki, Tiraspol', Kishinev, Bel'tsy, and Kagul fulfilled the January gross-production plan but did not fulfill the plan for quantity of basic types of goods.

The Ministry of Automobile Transport Moldavian SSR fulfilled the January 1949 freight transport plan 115 percent in ton-kilometers. Freight transport increased 77 percent over January 1948. Regional transport offices of the Ministry of Automobile Transport Moldavian SSR fulfilled the January freight transport plan as follows: Bel'tsy, 146 percent; Kishinev, 127 percent; Bendery, 121 percent; Tiraspol', 112 percent; Orgeyev, 90 percent; Soroki, 80.5 percent; Kagul, 78.5 percent; Rynbitsa, 62 percent.

The January plan for passengers and passenger-kilometers was fulfilled 116.5 percent by the Ministry of Automobile Transport, including transport offices of Rynbitsa, 238 percent; Bel'tsy, 178.5 percent; Soroki, 157 percent; autobus office of the city of Kishinev, 117 percent; Bendery, 108.5 percent; Tiraspol', 104 percent; Kagul, 98 percent; and Orgeyev 63 percent.

The plan for the first quarter of 1949 was fulfilled 27 percent by all contracting organizations, including Union enterprises, 22 percent, and Republic enterprises, 29 percent. Figures for separate construction organizations follow:

	Percentage of 1st Quarter 49 Plan Fulfilled in Jan
Ministry of Civilian Housing Construction, Moldavian SSR	29
"Fishchestroy" (Construction of Food Industry Enterprises)	
Trust, Ministry of Food Industry Moldavian SSR	31
Construction and Assembly Administration No 1,	
"Konservstroy" Trust, Main Construction Administration,	
Ministry of the Food Industry USSR	15
Construction and Assembly Administration No 4,	
"Konservstroy" Trust, Main Construction Administration	
Ministry of the Food Industry USSR	38
"Molokosyrpenn" (Butter and Cheese Industry) Con-	
struction and Assembly, Ministry of the Meat and	
Dairy Industry Moldavian SSR	52
"Khlebpromstroy" Construction and Assembly Administration,	
Ministry of the Meat and Dairy Industry Moldavian SSR	24
"Moldsel'stroy" (Construction of Moldavian Agricultural	
Enterprises) Trust, Ministry of Agriculture Moldavian SSR	16
"Gidromeliorstroytrest" (Hydro-Development Construction	
Trust) Ministry of Agriculture Moldavian SSR	21
"Meststroymentash" (Assembly of Local Industry Enterprises)	
Trust, Ministry of Local Industry Moldavian SSR	29
Republic "Moldaviyastroymentash" (Moldavian Light Industry	
Construction and Assembly) Administration, Ministry of	
Light Industry Moldavian SSR	44
"Soyuzstorgstroy" Construction and Assembly Administration No 3,	
Ministry of Trade USSR	25.5
"Ukrzagotstroy" Construction and Assembly Administration No 8,	
Ministry of Agricultural Procurement, USSR	27
"Zhilgrazhdanstroystvo" (Civilian Housing Communications)	
Construction Section, Ministry of Communications USSR	41

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The first-quarter plan for limited capital investment was fulfilled in January by individual ministries, and administrations as follows:

Moldavian SSR Ministries	Percentage of 1st Quarter 49 Plan Fulfilled in Jan
Ministry of Timber Industry	33
Ministry of Light Industry	41
Ministry of Meat and Dairy Industry	14
Ministry of Food Industry	20
Ministry of Local Industry	31
Ministry of Agriculture	14
Ministry of Public Health	34
Ministry of Communal Economy	25
Ministry of Automobile Transport	30
Ministry of Civilian Housing Construction (for own construction)	29
Administration of Construction Materials Industry	31
Moldavian Canning Trust, Ministry of Food Industry USSR	20
Eshinev "Glavmika" Trust, Ministry of Agricultural Procurement USSR	27

The first-quarter 1949 plan was fulfilled 28 percent in January for retail trade and 34 percent for turnover in public dining. The first-quarter 1949 plan was fulfilled in January by individual trade organizations as follows:

	Percentage of 1st Quarter 49 plan Fulfilled in Jan by	
	Retail Trade	Public Dining Turnover
Ministry of Trade including	26	28.5
Local Trade	26	29
Moldavian Office of Glavunivermag (Main Administration of General Stores)	24	-
Moldavian Office of Glavgastronom (Main Administration of Food Delicacy Stores)	27	-
Military Commissary Department	31	29
Department of Jewelry Trade	16	-
Moldavian Office of Railroad Restaurants ORS (Workers' Supply Sections) not including	-	28
ORS of Ministry of Food Industry	29	32
Ministry of Food Industry including ORS	20	37
Ministry of the Meat and Dairy Industry	34	-
"Soyuspechat'" (All-Union Press) of Ministry of Communications USSR	32	-
Moldavian Department of Communist State Publishing Houses	31	-
Moldavian Consumers' Union	30	38
Moldavian Invalids' Cooperative Union	25	42
Administration of Trade Cooperatives	26	59

Retail trade turnover in State and cooperative trade increased 33 percent in January 1949 as compared with January 1948; turnover in public dining, 65 percent.

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Market prices for agricultural produce at regional centers and in cities were lower in January 1949 than in January 1948: the price of flour had dropped 33 percent; potatoes, 50-60 percent; meat and eggs, 20-30 percent; and milk, 15-20 percent.

**MOLDAVIAN INDUSTRY SHOWS PROGRESS IN 1948 -- Sovetskaya Moldaviya, No 25, 6 Feb 49**

At the Second Congress of the Communist Party of Moldavia on 5 February 1949 the following facts on the development of industry in the Moldavian SSR were reported. During 1948, Moldavian industry exceeded the prewar level for gross production by 15 percent. Labor efficiency increased 40 percent as compared to 1945, production costs were lowered 9 percent in comparison to 1947.

Over 20 construction organizations, employing 700 engineers and technicians and over 10,000 workers, were formed. Over 600 large industrial enterprises were reconstructed, newly constructed, and put into operation in Moldavia during postwar years. New branches of industry were created in the last few years.

Moldavia now has a light industry, represented by such enterprises as the Kishinev Leather Plant No 1, the shoe factory, knitted wear, sewing, harness and haberdashery, and fur factories. The Kishinev, Tiraspol', and Bel'tsy machine plants as well as the mechanized woodworking factory, the nail and die plant, and others, were built and put into operation.

New types of production have been introduced in the Republic, such as internal combustion engines, woodworking tools, tile presses, machinery for the gas industry, etc.

The food industry, which is the leading branch of industry in Moldavia, is developing rapidly. Canned food production in 1948 exceeded 1947 production by 88.8 percent. However, it is noted that the production of the canned feed industry has not yet reached the 1940 level.

Cooperative industry exceeded the production level planned for 1950  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times, and the industry of invalids' cooperatives fulfilled the Five-Year Plan for gross production in 3 years. For the first time in postwar years, the timber industry fulfilled the yearly production plan in 1948.

One of the important results of Party organization work is the creation of a working class composed of the native population, the number of such workers having more than doubled in comparison to prewar years. Over 3,000 engineers and technicians are now employed in industry and transport.

Workers of industry, transport, and construction enterprises of the Moldavian SSR fulfilled their pledge to save 25.5 million rubles above plan and reduce state subsidies by 22 million rubles in 1948.

However, a number of ministries and departments are not fulfilling the production plans for assortment of goods and tolerate a large amount of waste and low-quality products. These are primarily the Ministry of Local Industry (Minister, Popovich), Ministry of Light Industry (Minister, Demin), and especially Cooperative Industry (Chief of Administration, Mel'nik).

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